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Minutes 8-24-2011

Thompson School Building Committee Meeting

Wednesday, August 24, 2011

Superintendent's Office - AHS – 6th Floor

Room

6:00 pm

Present:

Kathleen Bodie, Superintendent, Chair

John Cole, TSBC, PTBC

Sheri Donovan, TSBC, Thompson School Principal

Tobey Jackson, TSBC, Parent Rep

Diane Johnson, CFO, APS

Domenic Lanzillotti, Town of Arlington, Purchasing Officer (absent)

Tony Lionetta, TSBC, Capital Planning

Suzanne Robinson, PTBC, TSBC @ 7:15

Bill Shea, TSBC, PTBC

Jeff Thielman, TSBC, SC Rep

Attendees:

Kevin Nigro, PMA Consultants, OPM

George Metzger, Lori Cowles, Melissa Greene, HMFH Architects

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm

MSBA Updates

• Supt. Bodie reported that the Thompson School move has been completed with furniture etc sent to both the Stratton and High Schools, all of the bus schedules/routes are completed and have been sent out as well as the schedules and routes for the afterschool programs.

- Kevin Nigro reviewed the MSBA Status Report that showed:
 - o Project Status,
 - o Proposed Schedule for TSBC review and approval
 - o Upcoming Work Items
 - o Cost Summary t Date

Kevin informed the Committee that at the next meeting propriety items will need to be discussed and voted on.

Demolition Process

Domenic Lanzillotti and Kevin Nigro worked on the bid for the demolition/hazardous abatement. The quote from Donham and Sweeney came in at \$12,500 and includes complete bid specifications and plans.

On a motion by Bill Shea second by John Cole it was unanimously:

Voted that the TSBC accept the Donham and Sweeny quote for creating the hazardous/demolition abatement in the amount of \$12,500.

The bid will be advertized in the Central register for September 7th – the pre bid site visit is scheduled for Wednesday September 14th at 10 am, bid opening date is scheduled for September 26th , with the bid being awarded at the end of September.

Kevin Nigro stated that he can arrange to have the contractor leave bricks available for the public at the end of each day on the curb for anyone who would like one.

Sheri Donovan reported that the PTO will take existing shrubbery and plants.

Design Development Update

Lori and Melissa presented interior and exterior design updates. The exterior design and color scheme and accent colors were discussed, John Cole thought that there was too much color on the Southview and would like to see the color contained up to the first story only, additionally he stated that the big patterning was too much. Supt. Bodie is looking to see a simpler design, showing more touches of color instead of large blocks of color. HMFH will work on the design.

Tony Lionetta asked if the window color will have an effect on the overall building and if that is something that we need to consider at this point. Lori explained that would happen at the next level.

The interior lobby stairway was presented in a gypsum material with cut outs along the stairway. The recovered tiles could be used as groupings in various locations in both the lobby and along the stairwell. The Committee is in favor of using a more traditional open staircase voicing concern that maintenance could be an issue with the plan presented.

On a motion made and seconded it was voted that for the point of moving forward that the architects proceed with the lobby design as presented.

Outdoor spaces – Lori presented three door options that would open onto the open classroom space: an overhead garage door open, a bifold option or and egress door. The Committee discussed the ramifications of each option, (cost, maintenance, life expectancy, wall space, etc) Lori will report out on the life expectancy at the next meeting.

Other Updates

- Lori reported that on September 1st documents will go to the estimator
- MSBA package is due on September 23rd
- NSTAR is looking for a set of Design Developments – Lori will forward them.
- Technology – Sheri will forward questions to Wallis and Dave Good – will get back to HMFH on smartboards, etc.
- Kathy, Sheri and Mark need to discuss lockdown scenario

Approval of Invoices

On a motion by Jeff Thielman second by Domenic Lanzillotti it was unanimously
Voted to approve PMA invoice 03383-22 in the amount of \$2310.00 for professional services
July 1 – 31 2011.

On a motion by Diane Johnson second by John Cole it was unanimously
Voted to approve PMA invoice 03383-21 for professional services June 1 – 30 in the amount of \$5229.

On a motion by Jeff Thielman second by Diane Johnson it was unanimously
Voted to approve McPhail Associates Invoice 0041076 in the amount of 5013.76 for Geoenvironmental engineering services provided June 1 – 30, 2011.

On a motion by Jeff Thielman second by Bill Shea it was unanimously
Voted to approve McPhail Associates invoice 0041075 in the amount of \$2509.27 for Geotechnical Engineering Services June 1 – 30, 2011.

Tony Lionetta noticed a discrepancy on the rates charged by a contractor on the two McPhail invoices and requested that Domenic investigate as to the reason why.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Jeff Thielman second by Bill Shea it was unanimously
Voted to approve the meeting minutes of July 13 & 27th and August 10, 2011 as amended.

New Business

- Domenic Lanzillotti reported out that the Deputy Town Manager met with the Energy Working Group who questioned if the roof is or could be solar panel ready in the design of the Thompson School project. Kevin Nigro pointed out that they can be added but that there would be additional cost.
- Kevin and Domenic met with the Planning Director to review updated plans; an updated set of plans will be sent to Michael Byrne, the building inspector.

Next Meetings

- Wednesday, September 7th @ 6 pm, in the Superintendent's Office.
- Wednesday, September 21st the meeting will be held at the Thompson School @ 6 pm, following the meeting at 7:30 pm will be a meeting for Thompson community and parents to view the design updates.

On a motion made and seconded the meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm

Submitted by

Karen Tassone
Recording Secretary